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1. FOLLOWING WORKING LEVEL PREPARATORY MEETINGS ON
DECEMBER 22 AND JANUARY 6, THE OPENING OF FORMAL
NEGOTIATIONS ON AN EC/PRC TRADE AGREEMENT IS NOW EXPECTED
TO TAKE PLACE AT THE END OF JANUARY/BEGINNING OF
FEBRUARY. ACCORDING TO EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS RESPON-
SIBLE FOR RELATIONS WITH THE PRC, SOME DIFFICULTIES
REMAIN OVER DRAFTING POINTS CONNECTED WITH SAFEGUARDS
AND PRICE CLAUSES, ON WHICH THE CHINESE HAVE EXPRESSED
RESERVATIONS. (ONE COMMISSION SOURCE TOLD US THE PRICE
CLAUSE WOULD AIM TO ENSURE THAT CHINESE EXPORTS ARE NOT
MADE AT PRICES LIKELY TO DISRUPT THE EC MARKET.) A THIRD
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PREPARATORY MEETING IS TO BE HELD BEFORE THE END OF THE
MONTH, AND COMMISSION OFFICIALS SEEM CONFIDENT THAT THESE
OUTSTANDING ISSUES CAN BE RESOLVED.

2. COMMISSION OFFICIALS TELL US THAT PLANS CURRENTLY CALL
FOR A PRC DELEGATION TO ARRIVE IN BRUSSELS JANUARY 30 FOR
WHAT IS EXPECTED TO BE BOTH OPENING AND CONCLUDING

SESSION OF FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS. OUR SOURCES SAY THAT EC
SIDE FOR TALKS WILL BE HEADED BY COMMISSION DIRECTOR
GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS DENMAN; CHINESE HAVE NOT
YET INDICATED WHO WILL HEAD THEIR DELEGATION.
NEGOTIATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO LAST ABOUT ONE WEEK.
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